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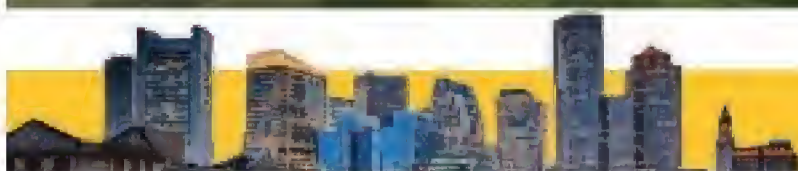
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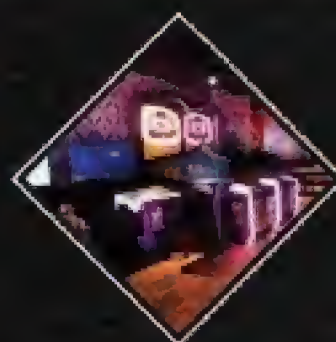
FRESH PAIR OF SOX

Can new manager Alex Cora and new big bat J.D. Martinez return the Red Sox to World Series glory? 2018 Red Sox season preview. 2, 18-20

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MATT BURKE, SPORTS EDITOR

This March was absolutely brutal, but finally ... seriously ... I think ... the next six months will offer up sunshine and something resembling warm weather. With the Sox starting their season today in Florida and with Fenway set to open exactly a week from today, we've finally made it Boston! Summers in New England are the absolute best, and when the Sox are playing well it makes the summer months here that much more enjoyable. This year's team is a legit World Series contender, so Kenmore Square is set to be hoppin' right through October.

SETTING SALE FOR YEAR 2 IN BOSTON

If there is nothing to suggest Chris Sale is about to fall off a cliff. He's registered over 200 strikeouts per season since 2013 and is still just hitting his prime at 28-years-old. Sale's first season in Boston last year was other-worldly, as he led the majors in K's with 308 and posted a sparkling 2.90 ERA with a 0.97 WHIP. He also garnered 17 wins, matching his career high. But make no mistake, Sale will have

to be just as good this year as he was last year if the Sox intend to get over the hump in the postseason. Sale's first playoff start was an ugly one, as he was bashed around by the Astros in Game 1 of the ALDS for nine hits and seven earned runs. Sale appeared to be fatigued down the stretch of the regular season last year, so new manager Alex Cora may opt to space out his starts a bit during portions of the season.

WILL THE BIG SPENDING PAY OFF FOR SOX?

2 Many Sox fans were upset at the fact that the Red Sox were never serious bidders for the services of Giancarlo Stanton this past offseason, with some even accusing the organization of cheaping out. The Red Sox ultimately figured that Stanton's price tag and length of deal was too risky and they finally came to terms with J.D. Martinez instead last month. Martinez will earn \$50 million over the next two years,

but can opt out after Year 2. That contract is why the Sox enter the 2018 MLB season with the highest payroll in all of baseball at a whopping \$223 million. The Yankees are actually seventh in MLB in payroll. This is the first time since at least 1990 (when MLB started keeping track of total payroll) that the Red Sox are the highest-spending team in baseball. It remains to be seen if this spending will pay off in terms of a World Series victory.

5 THINGS TO WATCH

BOSTON NEEDS MVP MOOKIE

3 Last year at this time, Mookie Betts had 5/1 odds to win the American League MVP award — trailing only the Angels' Mike Trout at 5/4. This season, Betts has just the eighth best odds to win the award. Betts didn't have a bad season last year, but his overall numbers and impact were down considerably from the year prior. Betts had 48 less hits in 2017 than he had in 2016 — as well as seven less home runs, and nine less RBI. The ugliest drop-off was his batting average, which went from .318 in 2016 to a career-worst .264 in 2017. Betts had an ugly start to spring training this year as well, as he did not record a single hit in the first seven games he appeared in. But Betts eventually heated up and finished the spring with a .327 batting average.

GETTING OVER THAT ALDS HUMP

4 In 2012, the Red Sox finished dead last in the AL East. In 2013, they won the World Series. In 2014 and 2015 they again finished dead last but the past two seasons they won the American League East. It finally seems like this rollercoaster season-by-season stretch in the history of Boston baseball is over as it would be absolutely shocking if the Sox did not win at least 85 games this year. Despite the

tumult year to year, the endings of the past two seasons for the Red Sox have been remarkably similar. They were swept by the Indians in the ALDS in 2016 and fell, 3-1, to the Astros last fall. Their ace in 2016, Rick Porcello, was bashed for five earned runs in a Game 1 loss to the Indians and the Sox never recovered. Last year ace Chris Sale was lit up for seven runs in Game 1 of the ALDS against Houston and the Sox never recovered.

SAVE THE DRAMA THIS YEAR

5 Drama and the Red Sox go together like hot dogs and mustard, so over the course of the next six months something strange will surely pop up. It's Alex Cora's job to minimize the distractions, of course, and hopefully he'll do a better job with it than John Farrell did the past few years. The big one last year was the David Price — Dennis Eckersley incident on the plane. There was also the Adam Jones incident

at Fenway Park, and the night a group of people hung a "Racism is as American as baseball" sign over the Green Monster. The latter two incidents, obviously weren't any fault of Farrell's or the Red Sox — but it just seemed as though there was a new distraction every other week last year. Also helping matters this season is that we're a full year removed from the retirement of David Ortiz. No more rumors of a return mid-season.

SOX SUCKED AT HITTING HOME RUNS IN 2017

168

Red Sox home runs last year.

If the Red Sox want to return to the World Series, they will have to do better in the home run department. The Sox hit just 168 home runs as a team last season, ranked 27th in baseball. Yankees were first with 241 homers and Astros were second with 238.



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Find out everything you need to know about the always-expanding neighborhood. **MATT JOUL**

The Seaport District has quickly become the hottest up-and-coming neighborhood in the city. Not only does the area boast beautiful views of the Boston Harbor, but there are endless ways to have fun on any given night. From foodie destinations and rooftop bars to breweries and comedy clubs, check out our ultimate guide to nightlife in the Seaport/Fort Point area.

Where to drink



Make your own brews at Hopsters. PROVIDED

There are plenty of awesome watering holes in the Seaport, especially when it comes to rooftop bars. One of the swankiest has to be the **Lookout Rooftop and Bar at the Envoy Hotel** (70 Sleeper St.), which has one of the best views of the city.

The **Sky Lounge Rooftop + Terrace at Yotel** (65 Seaport Blvd.) is another great space, and you even might run into the hotel's new robot butler YO2D2 on your way up to the bar. If you're hoping to enjoy a nice seafood meal along with your drinks, then you definitely want to swing by **Legal Harborside** (270 Northern Ave.).

Beer fans have plenty of breweries to choose from in the Seaport, with **Harpoon** (306 Northern Ave.), of course, being the top pick with its always busy beer hall (just don't forget to try the pretzels). **Trillium Brewing Company** (369 Congress St.) is also in the area, while those who want a more hands-on experience can make their own brews over at **Hopsters** (51 Sleeper St.), which recently opened its latest location in the Seaport.

If you're looking for an Irish dive-bar experience, **The Whiskey Priest** (150 Pier Four Blvd.) is the go-to spot. However, if you'd rather have a more upscale night out, try grabbing a drink at hotspots like **The Social Register** (401 D St.) or **Committee** (50 Northern Ave.).

Where to have fun



Party the night away at The Grand. PROVIDED

Whether you're into hip-hop or love to rock 'n' roll, there's always something fun going on in the Seaport. The **Blue Hills Bank Pavilion** (290 Northern Ave.) is an awesome outdoor music venue which is set to host big names like Liam Gallagher, Charlie Puth and more this year. If you've got more of a club/EDM style, **The Grand** (58 Seaport Blvd., Suite 300) is the place to be to dance the night away in Boston as it routinely features performances by superstars like Steve Aoki.

Visitors to the neighborhood can now get their bowling on at **Kings Dining & Entertainment** or catch a flick at the **ShowPlace ICON** luxury theater, which are both housed inside the complex at 60 Seaport Blvd. Meanwhile, comedy fans can enjoy some of the best stand-up in the city at **Laugh Boston** (425 Summer St.).

And if you're looking for the perfect place to snap a selfie and enjoy some outdoor fun, you'll definitely want to swing by **The Lawn on D** (420 D St.) when the warm weather finally kicks in.



Make a trip over to The Lawn on D when the weather warms up. GETTY IMAGES

Where to eat



Have a BBQ feast at The Smoke Shop. GETTY IMAGES

As you can imagine, seafood reigns supreme in this neighborhood's culinary scene, and there are plenty of great places to grab a bite. The **Barking Crab** (88 Sleeper St.) is a longtime favorite and a perfect spot to dine with friends when the weather warms up, thanks to its open-air seating overlooking the Harbor. A newer addition to the area, the fast-casual **Luke's Lobster** (55 Northern Ave.) offers authentic, tasty New England seafood dishes while also focusing on sustainable practices.

If you're looking for a more high-end dining experience, chef Jeremy Sewall's **Row 34** (383 Congress St.) is easily one of the city's best seafood spots, highlighted by its amazing raw bar selection. Another top pick is **Ocean Prime** (140 Seaport Blvd.), a favorite among athletes and celebrities, probably because its has a fantastic patio to mingle on.

Aside from the seafood, there are a slew of great Mexican restaurants as well. **Lolita Cocina & Tequila Bar** (253 Summer St.) recently opened up its second location in the area and features tasty bites like mahi mahi tacos, grilled street corn and the highly addictive (and complimentary) Pop Rocks cotton candy. **Rosa Mexicano** (155 Seaport Blvd.) is also a nice spot to grab dinner and a few margaritas al fresco, especially when the weather's nice.

There's truly something for every kind of foodie. Barbecue fans can feast at **The Smoke Shop** (343 Congress St.), visitors who want a luxurious French-Italian dinner can stop by chef Barbara Lynch's **Menton** (354 Congress St.), steak lovers can fill up at **Strega Waterfront** (1 Marina Park Dr.), while **Empire** (1 Marina Park Dr.) and chef Ming Tsai's **Blue Dragon** (324 A St.) have it covered on the Asian food front.

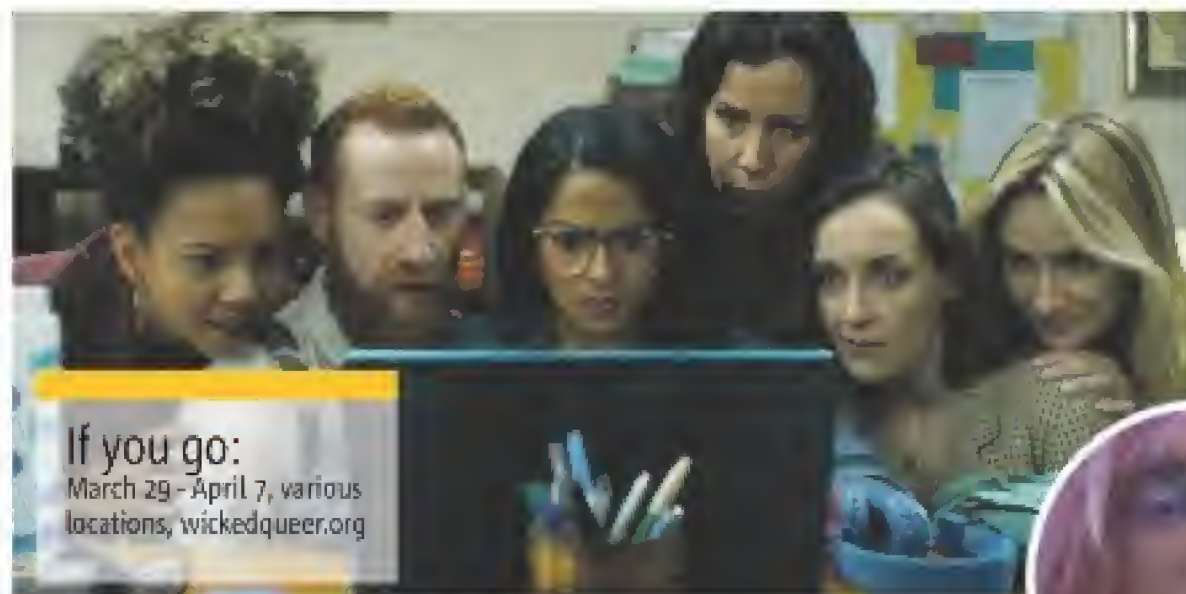
Flicks to see at Boston's Wicked Queer film fest

Here are the must-see movies at this year's LGBT Film Festival.

SHIRLEY WANG

Wicked Queer: The Boston LGBT Film Festival returns for its 34th edition this weekend to screen acclaimed films about queer communities from all over the world. Kicking off March 29, the fest is set to take over a few locations, including the Brattle Theatre, the Institute of Contemporary Art and the Museum of Fine Arts. Wicked Queer executive director James Nadeau gives us the scoop on five films you don't want to miss.

1. "The Shakedown"
After spending years filming underground strip clubs run by and for black lesbians in Los Angeles, Leilah Weinraub took 400 hours of reel and made this documen-



The annual fest returns for its 34th installment this weekend.

tary about a "scene that you would never have heard about unless you were part of it," Nadeau says. By highlighting the households and warehouses of their operations, Weinraub captures both sweet and intense moments in the lives of the club dancers. **March 30, 9 p.m., Brattle Theatre, 40 Brattle St., Cambridge, \$11**

2. "1985"

Fresh from its world premiere at SXSW earlier this month, "1985" is a quiet gesture to the AIDS crisis in Texas. Directed by Yen Tan, whose feature "Pit Stop" depicted gay men in the rural South, "1985" meditates on issues of bullying, loneliness and Christianity, in black-and-white 16mm film. **March 31, 7 p.m., Brattle Theatre, 40 Brattle St., Cambridge, \$11**

3. "White Rabbit"

This dramatic comedy stars Vivian Bang as a performance artist in a blond wig and a white jumpsuit who is simply trying to figure how to be both Korean-American and an avant-garde creator at the same time. Along the way, she picks up a girlfriend. It promises to be a "art-schooly" film, says Nadeau. "Hav-

ing gone, I recognize a lot of the humorous moments of it." **April 1, 5 p.m., Brattle Theatre, 40 Brattle St., Cambridge, \$11**

4. "Mr. Gay Syria"

Among the diversity of experiences portrayed in this year's festival, Nadeau notes a focus on immigration and migrant status that were prominent in the national conversation. "There's sort of a yearlong delay in how [these issues] hit the cultural memory," Nadeau says.

One of these works is this documentary by Ayse Toprak. When Mahmoud Hassino organized a search for a Syrian candidate to compete in Mr. Gay World 2016, he wasn't only thinking of those who were murdered in hate crimes against gay people — he wanted to

focus on the living gay Syrians, too. Set in Istanbul, this film travels along with Hassino as he pulls refugees into a swirling world of beauty pageantry and watches them navigate life in Turkey as stateless citizens in limbo.

April 2, 6:30 p.m., Brattle Theatre, 40 Brattle St., Cambridge, \$11

5. "A Moment in the Reeds"

For Nadeau, this is another film that "reminds people that gay people are also refugees, and refugees can also be gay people." It's about intimate encounters between a Syrian asylum seeker and a Finland native along the summer shores of the blue-toned country. Tickets to this film include an invite to a reception afterward with the director, Mikko Makela.

March 29, 7:30 p.m., Museum of Fine Arts, 465 Huntington Ave., \$30



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Dining and entertainment leader, Kings, see surge in "weeknight warriors"



Weeknights, once reserved for a quiet episode of *How I Met Your Mother*, or a simple crockpot meal have increasingly become a night to get out of the house and have some fun, according to Boston nightlife leaders, Kings Dining & Entertainment.

"Over the last two years, we've seen a big rise in our late-night, weeknight business with young professionals and beyond," reports Jenna Gabriel, Kings' Senior Director of Marketing & Brand Development. "It seems as though an entire generation is demanding to extend their weekend into the

weeknights and take on more experiential activities throughout the week."

Kings has no shortage of activities for this group, whom they have deemed their "weekend warriors", starting with All-You-Can Bowl and All-You-Can Play billiards and table games for just \$15.99 per person Monday through Wednesday and Buy 2, Get 1 Free Bowling on Thursdays after 9PM. "People are lining up as the clock strikes 9PM to get these weeknight deals and they'll stay through most of the night playing, laughing, Instagramming and just having

fun" says Leandro Neves, General Manager of Kings' Seaport location.

While many guests utilize these deals to practice their games, some are ready to compete in social bowling leagues offered on the weeknights in Kings' five Massachusetts locations. These leagues have been a staple at Kings for years, but have recently grown in popularity.

For the weeknight foodies, Kings offers a full late night Happy Hour Mondays through Thursdays giving their guests ½ price deals on select hand-tossed pizzas and many guest-favorite appetizers.

Kings Back Bay location has a successful Trivia Night run by city-favorites Stump! Pub Trivia every Tuesday at 7PM. "We've run trivia for many years and have some great regulars coming from local offices who love to let off some steam as a team and have fun testing their useless knowledge", says Jen Clarke, General Manager of Kings Back Bay.

"Whatever the reason, we are happy to have a great slate of value-driven activities for our audience who is telling us loud and clear that the weeknights are the new weekend. We're happy to oblige," says Gabriel, with a smile.

Where to eat in Boston for Easter Sunday

Here's how to celebrate the holiday in the Hub this weekend.

MATT JULI

It's hard to believe it, but yes, Easter is indeed around the corner. If you're still on the hunt for a perfect spot to have brunch or dinner, we've got a few spots for you to check out — just make sure to make a reservation.

Aura

Aura will have a special buffet menu available for brunch Easter Sunday, complete with French toast, eggs Benedict, beef wellington, roasted honey ham, plus all kinds of desserts. The Lance Houston Jazz Quartet will be on hand to provide some live entertainment, while younger guests will be able to enjoy an egg hunt, crafts and even a visit from the Easter Bunny. 11 a.m.-4 p.m., 1 Seaport Lane., \$75 per adult, \$18 per child age 5-12, kids under 5



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Bistro du Midi

Dine in style at this Back Bay hotspot with chef Robert Sisco's three-course, prix fixe menu for Easter. Kick things off with yellowfin tuna, Spanish octopus or other small bites, followed by a main meal of Maine butter poached lobster benedict, duck confit "foi-

effle," and more. Finish things off with a delicious dessert, ranging from dulcey ganache to brioche beignet. 10:30 a.m.-8 p.m., 272 Boylston St., \$60 per person, bistrodumidi.com

Brasserie JO

Bring the kids by for a special Easter Bunny meet-and-greet, plus egg hunts at noon and 1:30 p.m. Follow up the fun by

feasting on baked goods, omelets and more at the brunch stations, which will also include mimosa and bloody Mary bars for the adults. 11 a.m.-2 p.m., 120 Huntington Ave., \$55 per adult, \$22.95 for kids ages 2-12, colonmadedhotel.com/brasserie-jo

City Tap House

Munch on an array of sweet and savory bites,

including the Cadbury crème egg French toast, Virginia ham and cheddar omelet and lobster benedict. There will also be plenty of libations, including \$5 mimosas, beer flights and more. 10 Boston Wharf Rd., boston.citytap.com

Davio's Northern Italian Steakhouse

Davio's will have special menus for both brunch and dinner. Stop by for an early meal and feast on brunch specials like French toast, Maine lobster omelet or a plate full of beef tenderloin, poached eggs, grilled tomatoes, hollandaise and more. The dinner menu is just as delicious, featuring specials ranging from crab stuffed jumbo shrimp to balsamic-mint glazed lamb chops. 11 a.m.-9 p.m., 75 Arlington St., davios.com/bos

Entertainment Cruises

Guests can set sail for both morning and afternoon brunch cruises,

which include music, balloon artists, appearances by the Easter Bunny, plus a three-course menu and a complimentary glass of champagne for the adults. Various times, Rowe's Wharf, Gate B, entertainmentcruises.com

Oak Long Bar + Kitchen

The Back Bay restaurant has three specials in the works for Easter. Try the khachapuri, a piece of baked bread filled with fennel, shallot, farmers cheese, mozzarella, feta and egg, or enjoy fan-favorites like the Jonah crab cake and quiche lorraine. 138 St. James Ave., oaklongbarkitchen.com

State Street Provisions

State Street Provisions is cooking up all sorts of goodies, including ham and bread pudding and citrus-cured salmon Benedict. The restaurant also have special libations available, including a spring mimosa. 255 State St., statestreetprovisions.com

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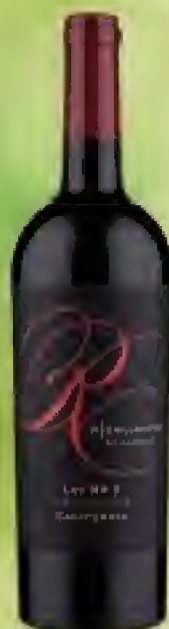
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'Ready Player One' is the ultimate blockbuster Easter Egg hunt

A virtual reality world in 2045 looks scarily like the here and now. Metro speaks with actor Simon Pegg.

GREGORY WAKEMAN

Despite the fact that "Ready Player One" is his third collaboration with Steven Spielberg, Simon Pegg is still astonished any time he's in the room with the legendary director.

And wouldn't you be, too?

I spoke to Pegg about Spielberg's latest blockbuster "Ready Player One," in which he plays the co-creator of the OASIS, a video game that the people of 2044 have become so obsessed with they spend every waking moment in it, during

which time he insisted that we are basically living "in the dystopia of the film now."

Was it Spielberg or the book that first attracted you to "Ready Player One"?

It was Spielberg, really — I'm always excited to work with him. It's important to stay connected to those emotions; otherwise you just get jaded. I've known him for 10 years now, and still get excited when I see him, or he walks in the room. He's had such a lasting effect on my cultural tastes and he has shaped my love of movies, and that will always be the case.

"Ready Player One" is very much about the human behind these creations, though.

That's what it's all about. Much has been

made about the self-referential moments, like it's a game of postmodern bingo. But there's much more to it than that, in terms of what it's saying about personal interactions and our interactions with each other. It feels like we're in the dystopia of the film now, what with social

media, and we're constantly projecting a constructed version of ourselves online — that's where we live and the truths we create online are not entirely honest. And I feel like the film is



Mark Rylance and Simon Pegg as the creators of the OASIS
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"Ready Player One"

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You get both the best and the worst of Spielberg in this movie. It's big (cost \$175M to make), it flows, and the attention to detail and visual references to pop culture are incredible. While clunky at the start, the film gets there in the end and is worth the journey.

saying that's not such a good thing.

Is the point that there are no references past 2018 because pop culture has stagnated?

It's quite a smart design. The creator of the game is a clinical nostalgic. He can't leave his own past because that's where he's his most comfortable. The reason there isn't any pop culture references after that time is that Halliday wasn't interested in it. And I think that's kind of saying

something about now. We're very inclined to look back. If you look at everything that occupies the mainstream of popular culture right now it is all reboots and remakes. We should be creating popular culture for the now. But we're not. We're just trying to re-create stuff we've already seen. The more we pander to that the more likely we are to stay in our comfort zone.

"Ready Player One" will be in theaters March 30.

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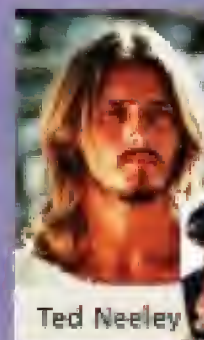
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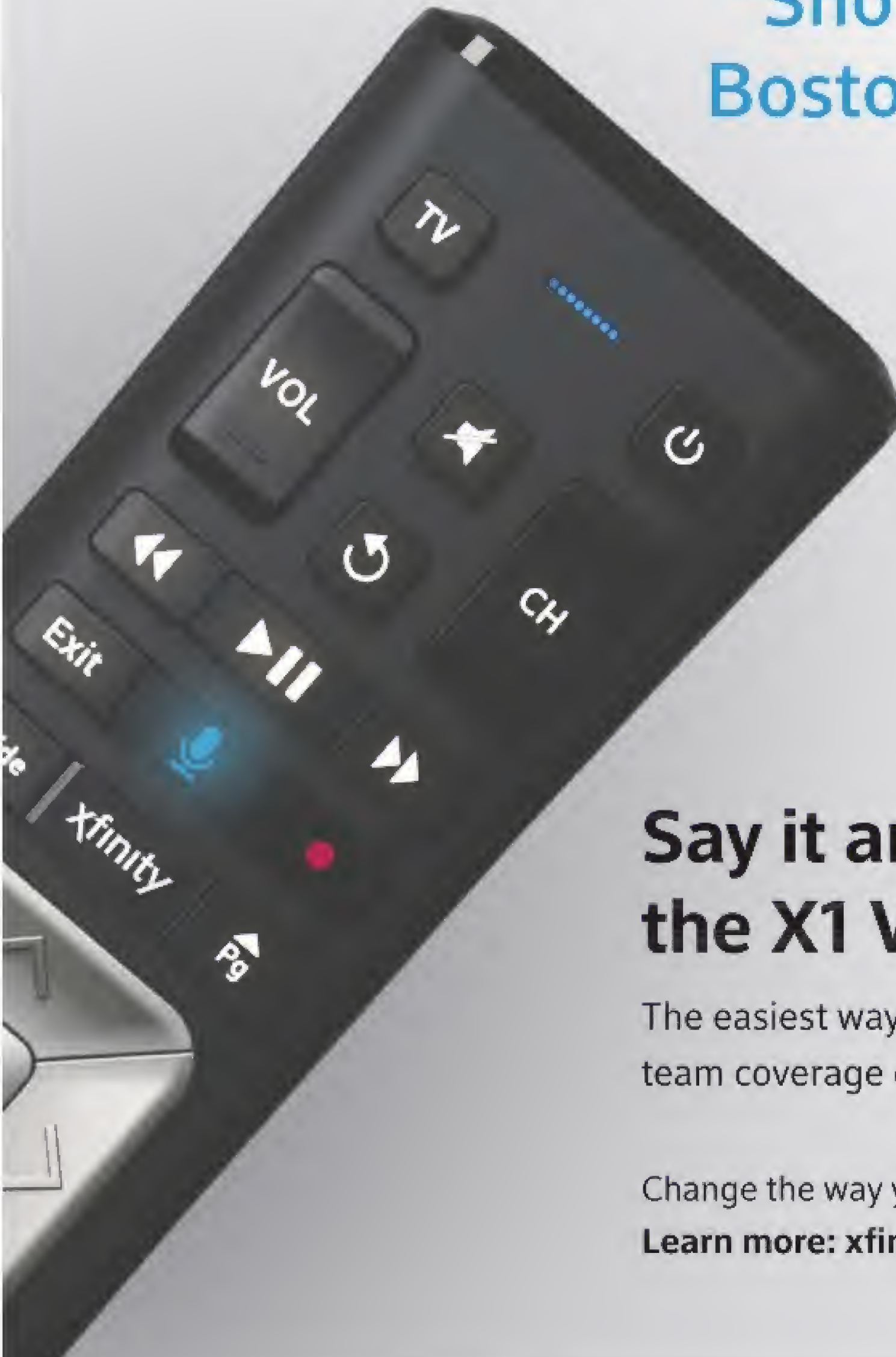
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COMEDY

Nick Di Paolo

Don't expect a politically correct show when the irreverent and sometimes controversial stand-up star is back in town. The Massachusetts native is set to bring his "Nick Is Right" tour to the Regent Theatre on Friday night. **March 30, 8 p.m., Regent Theatre, 7 Medford St., Arlington, \$25+, regenttheatre.com**

FOOD & DRINK

Moon Over Moon Bar

The Back Bay restaurant is

celebrating the next full moon over Boston with a special menu by chef Carolyn Johnson. Feast on \$2 fish taco sliders, \$3 fried oyster sliders, \$5 lobster roll sliders and more on Saturday night.

March 31, 9 p.m., Moon Bar, 304 Stuart St., moonbarboston.com

MISC.

Revere Spring Carnival

Who doesn't love a day at the carnival? The annual festivities return to Revere beginning on Friday, featuring rides, games and even a petting zoo, which will be open daily. **March 30-April 15, Showcase Cinemas, 565 Squire Rd., Revere, fiestashows.com/events/285**

WWE Live Road to Wrestlemania

Local WWE fans are going to get quite the show when the professional wrestling promotion returns to the TD Garden on Friday night. Brock Lesnar, Roman Reigns, Kane and more are all set to throw down in the ring.

March 30, 7:30 p.m., TD Garden, 100 Legends Way, \$20+, tdgarden.com

MOVIES

"Isle of Dogs"

Get ready for "Isle of Dogs," Wes Anderson's stop-motion masterpiece about a boy in search of his lost pooch, which features a star-studded cast of Bill Murray, Jeff Goldblum, Tilda Swinton, Edward Norton, Frances McDormand, Bryan Cranston, Scarlett Johansson and so many more. Check out the flick at the Coolidge this weekend. **Through April 5, Coolidge Corner Theatre, 290 Harvard St., Brookline, coolidge.org**

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See the Beach Boys star in an intimate, acoustic show at The Cabot on Friday night. From "Surfin'" to "Surfin' Safari," Jardine will be playing all his greatest hits in a storytellers-style performance. **March 30, 8 p.m., The Cabot, 286 Cabot St., Beverly, \$38.50+, thecabot.org**

ARTS & CULTURE



Chrissy Metz

Fans of NBC's "This Is Us" will definitely want to make a trip to The Wilbur on Thursday night. Actress Chrissy Metz, who plays Kate Pearson on the hit drama series, will be in town for a discussion moderated by NBC Boston anchor Latoyia Edwards. **March 29, 7:30 p.m., The Wilbur, 246 Tremont St., \$47+, thewilbur.com**

Justin Timberlake Experience

If you can't make it to his concerts at the Garden next week, there's still another way to see the pop star in the Hub. The Museum of Science is hosting a special Justin Timberlake Experience at its Charles Hayden Planetarium,

featuring amazing visuals to go along with all the hit songs.

March 30-31, 7:30 p.m., Charles Hayden Planetarium, 1 Museum Of Science Driveway, \$8+, mos.org

Last Band Standing

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Hard Rock Cafe on Saturday night. Presented by the New England Music Awards, the event will feature seven groups that'll compete for the title of the last band standing in Massachusetts. **March 31, 7:30 p.m., Hard Rock Cafe, 22-24 Clinton St., \$10, hardrock.com**

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3 Things you don't want to miss at Anime Boston

Get ready, otakus, because Anime Boston 2018 is finally back this weekend. The three-day event is one of the biggest anime conventions in North America, routinely bringing in tens of thousands of fans to the Hub each year. From dances and costume contests to live gaming and karaoke, there's always something fun going on.

1 Dance the night away

Anime Boston has a pair of balls on the schedule for 2018 so fans can dance all night long and help out a few good causes. The charity Constellation Ball is set for Friday night and will be a formal affair, so ditch the cosplay costumes for a black-tie-appropriate outfit if you decide to go. A Solar Salsa semi-formal ball will be held Saturday night, which will have a less-strict dress code.

Tickets for both events are \$4 and proceeds will be donated to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.



Geek out at Anime Boston.
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2 Get your cosplay on Cosplay is obviously a huge part of an anime-convention experience, and this weekend's affair is no exception. The masquerade costume contest will be held Saturday night, when participants will show off their best outfits for a chance to a \$1,000 cash prize. Guests

If you go

March 30-April 1,
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should also expect cosplay games and various game show-style events throughout the three-day fest as well.

3 Sing your heart out Belt out your favorite anime tunes at the special karaoke lounge throughout the weekend. The catch is, the only songs allowed have to be Japanese, Korean, Chinese and Thai origin—and contain only PG-13 appropriate content—so leave the Taylor Swift tracks at home. For those who are serious about their karaoke, a contest will be held on Saturday between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. **MATT JULI**

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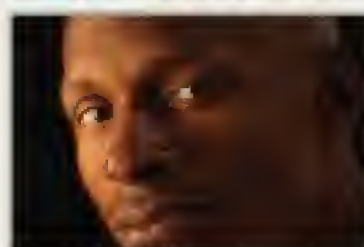
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Timeflies talks new EP, being back in Boston and more

The Tufts alumni haven't forgotten their roots.

SHIRLEY WANG

The story of Timeflies starts in Somerville, way back when members Rob "Rez" Resnick and Cal Shapiro attended Tufts University.

After winning the Battle of the Bands in Tufts' plucky student cafe, the funk group opened for Ludacris at the school's spring concert. Seven years since their graduation, Shapiro and Resnick still love to hark back to those college days, and have even devoted a track on their new EP "To Dream" to their former residences at Powderhouse Boulevard and Upland Road.

"[Tufts] definitely got its fingerprints all over our history," Shapiro tells Metro.

During their last semester in school, they rolled out weekly YouTube videos titled "Timeflies Tuesdays," which mix top hits with the band's own freestyling. The series now has more than 100 million views. Alongside their "Too Much to Dream" tour, doing those quick videos serves as a relief from the grind of producing original content.

"It's really important for us to take our time on our craft and making everything perfect," Shapiro says. "Now we're doing [Tues-



The Tufts alumni are heading back to town this weekend. PROVIDED

days] on Instagram ... it just gives us a way to show you what we're up to and it allows us to have a creative outlet."

As a foil to their 2017 album "Too Much," "To Dream" features tunes animated by the playful attitude of two guys looking to have a good time. Last time they were in Boston for a

show, Shapiro and Rez knocked on the door of their old college haunt, introduced themselves, and spent a night reminiscing with students who lived there.

After their concert in Boston on March 31, the two hope to come by Somerville again — but this time for the food. Rez's favorite

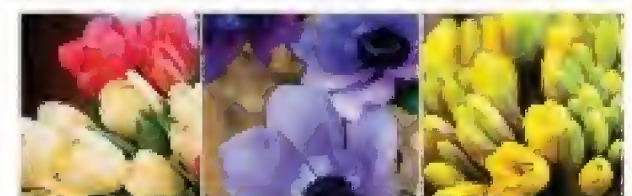
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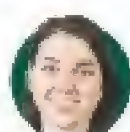
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Massachusetts school board opposes move to arm teachers



March for Our Lives participants and supporters rally in the Boston Common. DEREK KOUNDOUNIAN

State officials said that giving educators weapons in response to shootings would make schools less safe.



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Massachusetts education officials have shut down the idea of arming teachers in classrooms across the commonwealth.

After the Parkland school shooting in which 17 people were killed, President Donald Trump called for teachers to carry firearms in schools as a way to protect students from more shootings.

On Tuesday, the state's education board unanimously passed a resolution opposing that suggestion, saying that "arming teachers is not the right answer."

"A vigorous public debate is taking place across the country on whether teachers should be permitted, or even encouraged, to carry firearms in schools," the memorandum for Tuesday's education board meeting reads.

"Traditionally, the board has declined to take positions on public policy decisions that are not directly within its purview," the document continues. "But this may be one of those rare moments where even a symbolic vote is important."

In the approved resolution, the board says it was "deeply troubled" by the Feb. 14 Parkland shooting as well as shootings prior

to that date.

The resolution notes that there is no "evidence-based research" showing that arming teachers would reduce the number of casualties in a mass shooting and that allowing guns in schools in the hands of those other than law enforcement officers would instead increase the risk of accidental shootings.

"Teachers are first and foremost educators and therefore should be employed solely on the basis of their educational skills and credentials, not their skills as a security officer," the resolution reads. "Therefore be it resolved that the Massachusetts Board of Elementary and Secondary Education believes arming educators will make schools less safe, and the board opposes any move to do so."

Meeting attendees continued to talk about how to increase school safety and raised the topic of focusing on mental health.

"An investment in mental health and ways that we can better support our students is much needed, and I think every superintendent would echo that," Taunton Superintendent Julie Hackett said at the meeting, according to a video shared on Twitter.

Hackett reportedly described an incident where a student told a school resource officer that he had an AR15 in the days following the Parkland shooting.

"We have the mandate and the suggestion to have more mental health," she added, "but we don't always have the funding."

"This may be one of those rare moments where even a symbolic vote is important."

State education board memorandum



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Harvard takes steps to become a more inclusive campus

After the final report of the Task Force on Inclusion and Belonging, the university is dedicating \$10 million to hiring faculty who can make the school more diverse.

League campus a culture of belonging.

The task force was created in Sept. 2016 in the wake of some criticism of campus demographics; just this past December, Harvard had to turn over records for a United States Justice Department investigation into whether the school has been discriminating against Asian-

American applicants.

One change already in place via the task force has to do with Harvard's anthem: The task force held a competition to update the lyrics to "Fair Harvard," originally written in 1836, to be more inclusive.

The last line has officially changed from "till the stock of the Puritans



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die" to "till the stars in the firmament die."

Other changes recommended by the report include revising symbols, like the university values, and spaces, like adding public art and more campus maps, to become more inclusive; advancing the university's mental health services; and developing faculty initiatives on identity, politics and culture and another on inclusion and belonging in higher education.

"Harvard's commitment to excellence in the advancement and dis-

semination of knowledge rests upon the foundation of the remarkable people who make up this community," Harvard President Drew Faust said in a letter to the community. "We understand it is essential to open our doors widely to talent from all parts of society, including those that have historically been underrepresented on our campus."

In response to the final report, Faust has allocated \$250,000 toward a fund to support ideas that advance belonging and inclusion, \$10 million to hire faculty

who can make the school more inclusive and also established a series of open sessions at the Smith Campus Center to foster discussions amongst the school community.

"The responsibility of building community does not alone belong to a task force or to a university president," Faust wrote. "It is incumbent on all of us to do our part, to reach across difference, to find ways to ensure that every person on this campus has the chance to find intellectual, professional, and social fulfillment."



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Harvard University is making changes in an effort to be more inclusive.

The school's Presidential Task Force on Inclusion and Belonging released its final report this week, which includes recommendations, goals and tools to make the Ivy

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Savings ideas could make major dent in healthcare spending

Massachusetts could save more than \$1 billion in health-care costs over five years if policymakers and health-care leaders can cut hospital-readmission rates 20 percent by 2020, according to data presented at a Health Policy Commission meeting Wednesday.

Hospital-readmission rates increased in 2014 and 2015 in Massachusetts while the national average has been falling, according to the commission, whose staff recommended areas where savings could be found in health-care spending.

A 2012 state law set a target rate against which to measure the annual growth in medical spending, in hopes of reining in rising costs that are leaving less to spend on budget priorities for families, businesses and state government.

The law calls for the benchmark for 2019 to be set at 3.1 percent, and the commission held a hear-



Massachusetts hospital readmission rates increased in 2014 and 2015, while the national average fell. **NICOLAUS GIANNECKI**

ing Wednesday as it prepares to decide whether to keep the target at that level or suggest increasing it to 3.6 percent. Overall growth in 2016 was 2.8 percent.

Other scenarios presented at the hearing include reducing the non-emergency use of hospital emergency departments by 66 percent, which the commission estimated could save \$260 million over five years, and reducing hospital discharges to post-acute institutional settings by 25 percent, estimated to save \$1.37

billion over five years.

House lawmakers are a bill that Rep. Jeffrey Roy said it will maximize the structures put in place by past health care cost control laws and continue to move the state forward. He said the House will take up the bill "later this spring."

The House vice chair of the Health Care Financing Committee, Roy said health-care spending in Massachusetts is "trending in the right direction, growing at a slower rate than any other state."

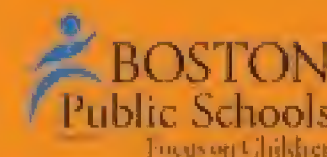
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Can you get HIV from a Cadbury Creme Egg?

An internet hoax is making the rounds again.

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Don't believe everything you read, especially on the internet.

A rumor making the rounds on the web claims that a worker for the confectionery company Cadbury was caught doing the unthinkable to candy he produced during his work day.

"This is the guy who added his infected blood to Cadbury products," reads the caption under a photo of a man being led away in handcuffs. "For the next few weeks do not eat any products from Cadbury, as a worker from the company has added this blood contaminated with HIV (AIDS). It was shown yesterday on BBC News."

The problem? It was never on the BBC — and it's just not true.

The claim is an Easter-themed take on a rumor that's made the rounds for the past several years, according to Snopes. Other versions of the hoax claim the same man added his HIV-infected blood to other popular products, like Pepsi.

And you don't have to throw out your beloved Easter candy, because it's 100 percent false — not that it would be a problem if a Cadbury employee working on the production line did have HIV.

How HIV spreads

Hint: It's not through simply touching the saliva or blood of an infected person.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, HIV can only be transmitted through certain fluids, like blood and semen, along with pre-seminal, rectal and vaginal fluids — and breast milk.

And in order for them to infect the other person, they have to come in contact with damaged tissue, a mucous membrane (like those inside the vagina, mouth or anus) or be directly injected into blood via a syringe or needle.

Even eating food contaminated with the blood of an HIV-positive person won't give you the disease, according to the CDC. "Even if the food contained small amounts

"Even if the food contained small amounts of HIV-infected blood or semen, exposure to the air, heat from cooking and stomach acid would destroy the virus."

The CDC, on its website.



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of HIV-infected blood or semen, exposure to the air, heat from cooking and stomach acid would destroy the virus," the CDC writes on its website.

The guy in the photo — Sadiq Ogwuche — was actually arrested in connection with a 2014 bombing in Nigeria.

The real danger of eating Easter candy

So, there aren't a lot of health risks with eating Easter candy (other than a mad sugar rush).

That said, little kids should be supervised when they gorge on Cadbury confections during the holiday, at least the smaller ones.

A British mother issued a warning about giving little kids the Mini Cadbury Creme Eggs in their baskets.

"I watched the light slip from my baby's eyes, I tried in vain to save her," the anonymous woman wrote of the death of her daughter three years ago.

"She had choked on a

Mini Egg and I was unable to dislodge it, even with back slaps and pushing up under her ribs," she wrote. "I had done a first aid course six months prior to this event so all the techniques to help a choking child were still fresh in my mind but it didn't help."

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Celebrity obsessed? These museums are just for you

Check out these weird and wonderful celebrity museums, from Britney Spears' childhood bedroom to Ernest Hemingway's bungalow — where his cats are the stars.

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The Kentwood Museum
Diehard Britney Spears superfans flock to this small, small-town museum that features Britney's childhood bedroom re-created with furniture, gym clothes, pom-poms and old photos as well as a replica of the stage on which she performed her 2001 HBO concert special. And it's all lovingly collected with the kind of Leave-Britney-Alone dedication that makes this unofficial museum the kind of shrine that her best fans shouldn't miss.

The International Friendship Exhibition Hall
What do you get the North Korean dictator who has everything? The International Friendship Exhibition Hall has over 100,000 bizarre answers to this question. You'll find nearly every gift given to North Korean dictators Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il during the 70 years they were in power. Notable gifts including a taxidermy alligator holding a tray of cocktails from the Sandinistas of Nicaragua, a bear head mounted on a red satin pillow from Romanian dictator Nicolae Ceausescu and a basketball signed by Michael Jordan given by former U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright. Prepare to be both fascinated and confused.

Graceland
Elvis was not only "The King of Rock 'n' Roll" but also the king of over-the-top celebrity behavior. And his Memphis home Graceland is equal parts museum and acid trip back to the time when Elvis partied so hard that even his pet monkey had a minor drinking problem. The sprawling 40-acre museum-cum-theme park has over 15 attractions and exhibits that include two



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restaurants, a classic car museum, a private plane collection, and the pièce de résistance: Elvis' impressively '70s mansion with leopard furniture, shag carpeting, an indoor waterfall and a shrine to his favorite sequin jumpsuits.



For soup-er fans of Warhol

Museu CR7
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The Ernest Hemingway Home and Museum
Find your way to Key West to discover the desk where the great wrote

parts of "A Farewell to Arms" and "For Whom the Bell Tolls," as well as the saloon urinal he drunkenly dragged home. The descendants of his beloved cats are still around, and their origin story isn't even one of the weirder anecdotes you'll hear about Hemingway's writing and drinking adventures when you tour his former home.

Casa de Shenandoah
This celebrity museum is the only one where its subject might just show up and give you a tour. Wayne Newton no longer lives at his 14,000-square-foot former mansion in Las Vegas, but he's been known to show up and change around the remarkable collection of antiques, musical instruments, velvet furniture, wax statues of his wife and himself, and classic cars that he's put on display. And visit his many exotic pets which include wallabies, penguins, sea otters, and a capuchin monkey named Boo.

Andy Warhol Museum
Dedicating a museum to an artist isn't unusual, unless it manages to fill seven floors and 17 galleries and be the world's largest dedicated to a single marvel. Here you'll find some very deep cuts that include not just Warhol's more famous works but also his much-lesser-known

doodles, paintings, movie reels, and even the art he made out of his own bodily fluids.

The Museum of the Democratic and Cultural Revolution

Inside this Bolivian museum you'll find a life-size statue of Evo Morales, Evo Morales' childhood toys, Evo Morales' favorite soccer jerseys, and Evo Morales' honorary doctorates given to him despite the fact that he never finished high school. The "Ego" museum, as it's locally known, was constructed by the Bolivian president using \$7 million of government money, making it one of the most expensive personal museums in the world.

The L. Ron Hubbard Life Exhibition
Dedicated to the exploits, military achievements, degrees and maritime exploration of L. Ron Hubbard, the creator of Scientology — despite the fact that many of these achievements have been proved to be untrue — is Hollywood church. The factual exhibits are just as bizarre: Test an e-meter and walk through life-size dioramas of old-

timey newsstands and alien landscapes all while being closely followed by a friendly museum attendant who won't want you to take any pictures.

The Al Saleh Museum
If you've ever wondered what it would be like to visit the secret lair of a '70s movie villain, the Al Saleh Museum in Sana'a, Yemen might be your best bet this side of the silver screen. Without getting into the politics of the deposed Yemeni president, we'll say that his museum of personal gifts includes the taxidermy pelt of the world's most endangered cat, rocks from the Hiroshima bombing, and shrapnel from a bomb that nearly assassinated him. But dark and questionable gifts aren't the only reason to visit. The museum is just one section of a beautiful \$60 million mosque that is one of the architectural wonders of the region.

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Cora, Martinez look to return Sox back to elite status in MLB

The Sox' two big acquisitions this winter were a new manager and a new home run hitter.



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The track record for new managers in Boston recently has been relatively strong.

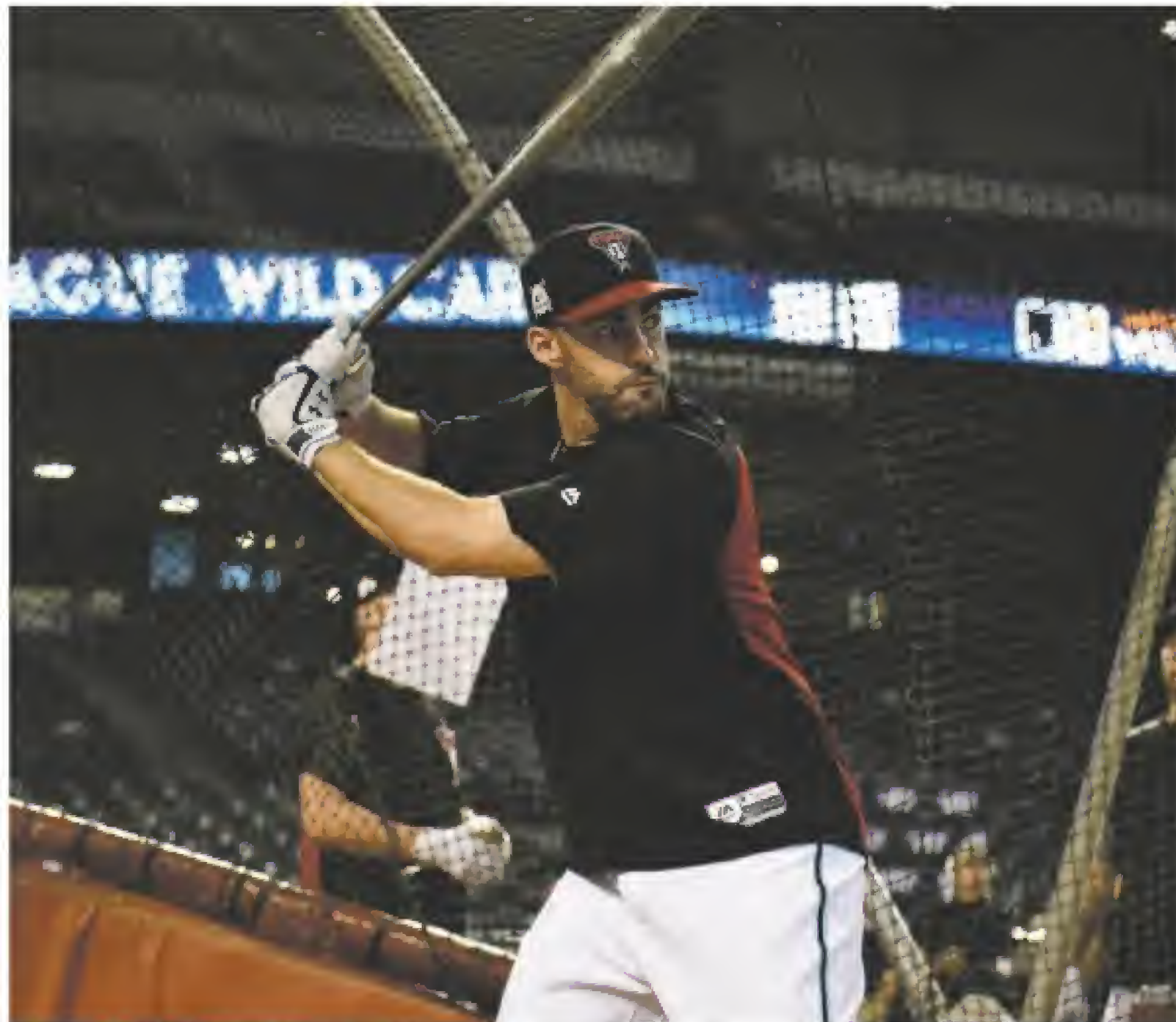
In Terry Francona's first year as Red Sox skipper in 2004, he won the World Series. In John Farrell's first year as Sox manager in 2013, he too won the World Series. Sandwiched in between was Bobby Valentine in 2012 — who took things completely the other way as the Sox finished with a 69-93 record, the franchise's worst mark in five decades.

The odds are that Alex Cora will last more than one season here, unlike Bobby V., but it's still very much unclear as to whether or not Cora can get a talented Sox team over the hump in the postseason.

Sportsline has the Red Sox, the team with the highest payroll in the majors, with the seventh-best odds of winning the 2018 World Series at 10/1. Ahead of them are the Astros (5/1), Dodgers (11/2), Yankees (13/2), Indians (6/1), Cubs (15/2) and Nationals (19/2).

Part of the reason Vegas may be hesitant to put the Sox higher is that Cora has just one year of baseball coaching experience under his belt. Cora was the bench coach for the World Series champion Astros (also the team that eliminated the Sox last fall). Prior to that, Cora was a baseball analyst for ESPN.

"I understand that experience is important, but I was a utility guy [as a player]," Cora said. "I was managed by a lot of good ones — Davey Johnson, Terry Francona, Jerry Manuel — and when you're a utility



J.D. Martinez blasted 45 home runs last season. GETTY IMAGES

guy you have to pay attention to the game. You really do. A lot of people back in the day said I was going to be a future manager, and I hated that because I wanted to keep playing. But I learned a lot from those managers and a lot from [Astros manager] A.J. Hinch. People don't give him enough credit. He's a superstar. We had good times, bad times and horrible times. But at the end of the day we have a [World Series] ring. I learned a lot."

Cora last played in the majors in 2011 as a member of the Nationals. He is just 42 years old and a big part of the appeal of Cora is that he seemingly can relate to today's MLB player. Farrell was also an ex-player, but he is 13 years Cora's senior.

Cora also "gets" Boston, which is something Valentine certainly did not. Cora played for

the Sox from 2005-08, helping the team win a World Series in 2007.

"Boston is a challenge, but for me, it's not," Cora said. "I understand they live baseball 24/7. I come from a country [Puerto Rico] that does that, and with my family it's the same. This is a good baseball team, a team that — as you know — have won back-to-back division titles. But at the end of the day, this city — everybody wants to win a world championship."

Home runs solve everything

There might be a little hesitation among Sox fans to embrace J.D. Martinez given the long and drawn-out flirtation with the club in free agency this past winter. But Martinez can solve that with a couple early season home runs.

Traditionally the Red Sox are a power hitting team, but last year things hit rock bottom in the dinger department. The Sox finished dead last in the American League in homers, belting just

168. By comparison, the rival Yankees (No. 1 in MLB) slammed 241 homers as a team.

There is now a ton of pressure on Martinez to help improve the team's power numbers. Martinez hit a career-

MLB predictions

Metro sports editors make their World Series picks for the 2018 MLB season.

Matt Burke, Metro Boston:
Dodgers over Red Sox

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Astros over Nationals

Evan Macy, Metro Philly:
Astros over Cubs

high 45 home runs last season. In 2016, he hit 22 homers, and in 2015 he hit 38.

The sample size for Martinez as one of baseball's elite home run hitters is relatively small, but the 30-year-old says he's absolutely up for the challenge of elevating his status to one of baseball's top home run threats.

"I'm expecting, hopefully, to do a lot of damage," Martinez said. "That's the game plan coming in. As far as the Red Sox' lineup goes, it's a strong lineup, it's a good lineup. I've been looking at them, checking them out, studying them, obviously playing against them with Detroit. They've got guys with a lot of speed, guys who get on base, guys that can really move around the bags and produce runs very quickly. I'm happy to be a part of that now."



Alex Cora is entering his first season as manager of the Red Sox. GETTY IMAGES

Sox with plenty of lineup versatility

One thing new Red Sox manager Alex Cora learned in Houston was the need to rest key players throughout the season. The Sox do not want to be fatigued in August and September like they were last season, so Cora will likely be shifting players in and out of the lineup on a consistent basis. The main juggling act will be at first base and DH, as Cora will likely use a rotation of JD Martinez, Hanley Ramirez and Mitch Moreland. Martinez will also see plenty of time in the outfield in order to keep his bat in the lineup.

Ramirez saw plenty of time as the No. 3 hitter in the lineup this spring as Cora likes the look of Ramirez in front of J.D. Martinez. Here is a shot in the dark at what the Sox lineup should look like most of the time.

1. Mookie Betts, RF
2. A. Benintendi, LF
3. Hanley Ramirez, 1B
4. J.D. Martinez, DH
5. X. Bogaerts, SS
6. Rafael Devers, 3B
7. Eduardo Nunez, 2B
8. C. Vazquez, C
9. J. Bradley Jr, CF

Nunez could figure to climb in the order if he resembles anything like the player we saw last August. Along those same lines, Bogaerts could fall if he continues to hit (or not hit, rather)



Hanley Ramirez saw plenty of time in the No. 3 slot this spring under new Red Sox manager Alex Cora. GETTY IMAGES

like he did down the stretch of last year.

Bogaerts continues to be one of the more confusing players in recent Red Sox history as sometimes he looks like one of the top hitters in baseball, and other times he looks like he couldn't hit a down-the-middle fastball by the third-best pitcher on the staff of Brookline High.

Bogaerts hit .315 in April last year, and then hit a highly impressive .351 in the month of March. After that it was all downhill.

Right now it seems like Bogaerts could go down as one of the more inconsistent players in Sox history, but it's important to remember that he's still just 25 years old.

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Opening Day

The Red Sox will kick off their 2018 season Thursday in St. Petersburg, Florida, against the Rays at 4 p.m.. Chris Sale will get the start for the Sox and will face Chris Archer. David Price will pitch Friday for the Sox, with Rick Porcello slated to throw on Saturday against Tampa Bay.

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Sale - Price the best in MLB?

A look at the top 1-2 pitching punches in all of baseball.

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After two tumultuous seasons to start his Red Sox career, David Price looks poised to earn his \$30 million annual salary after a strong spring training. Price tossed three innings in his final exhibition tune-up and struck out four Twins while allowing just one hit and one run. He pitched to a 2.25 ERA in three spring starts.

"Every five days, I felt better and better," Price told MLB.com. "To me, this has been the best I've felt for an entire spring training and I'm excited for Friday."

Friday marks game two of the regular season, which Price is slated to start against

the Rays. Even a mediocre outing against his former team would signal a better beginning than 2017, as Price wasn't able to pitch until May 29 due to an elbow injury. Initial results were mixed until he settled into a groove in July, but he would land on the DL again after a rough start on July 22 and would be relegated to a bullpen role from mid-September to the end of the year.

Price also landed in hot water on June 29 after berating former Red Sox great and current NESN broadcaster Dennis Eckersley after Eckersley criticized Eduardo Rodriguez, Price's teammate. The situation stirred up plenty of bad blood, but Price could stem the tide if he stays healthy and pitches to his career bests in 2018.

Price is a former Cy Young winner (2012) and was signed to a

seven-year, \$217 million contract after a 2015 campaign in which he went 18-5 with a 2.45 ERA. Additionally, he'll have the benefit of Chris Sale, the undisputed ace on the staff, taking some of the tougher starting matchups as new manager Alex Cora's No. 1 option.

Sale, last year's leader in strikeouts, looked well on his way to earning the 2017 AL Cy Young but struggled a bit down the stretch, enabling Corey Kluber (18-4, 2.25 ERA) to swipe it after a phenomenal final few starts.

Here's how Sale and Price stack up against some of the best starting tandems in the game.

Astros: Justin Verlander and Dallas Keuchel
The 2017 World Series champs added Gerrit Cole in the offseason,



Red Sox ace Chris Sale led MLB in strikeouts last season with 308. GETTY IMAGES

but 2011 Cy Young winner Verlander (15-8, 3.36 ERA) and 2015 Cy Young winner Keuchel (14-5, 2.90 ERA) will take the mound first and second, respectively.

Indians: Corey Kluber and Carlos Carrasco
The aforementioned 2017 AL Cy Young winner hands the ball off to Carrasco (18-6, 3.29 ERA in 2017) for the second game of the season. Kluber was third in strikeouts last year,

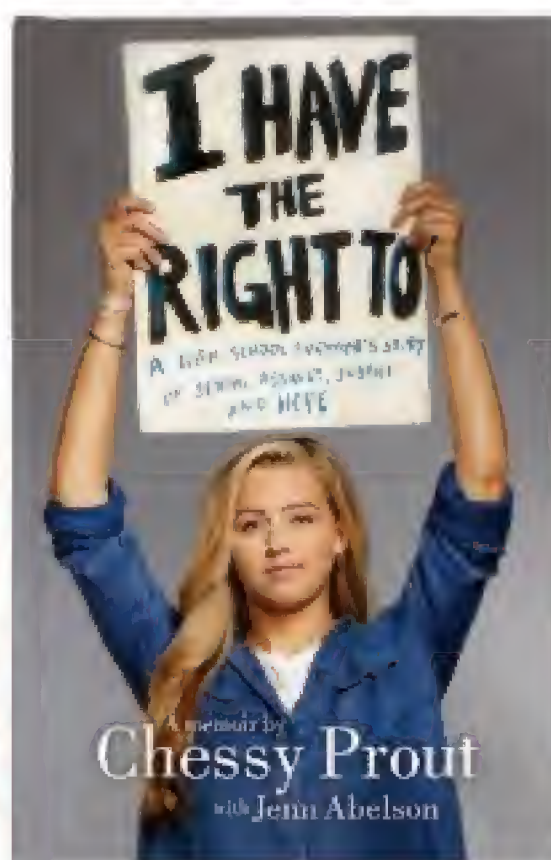
while Carrasco was seventh.

Cubs: Jon Lester and Kyle Hendricks
Yu Darvish and Jose Quintana comprise a daunting one-two punch of their own, but Lester and Hendricks will take the mound for games one and two, respectively. They posted some shaky results in 2017 (Lester was 13-8 with a 4.33 ERA while Hendricks went 7-5 with a 3.03 ERA and missed

time due to injury), but both were Cy Young finalists in 2016 (Lester was 19-5 with a 2.44 ERA while Hendricks went 16-8 with a 2.16 ERA).

Mets: Noah Syndergaard and Jacob deGrom
Syndergaard (2.89 career ERA) and deGrom (2.98 career ERA) could be the cornerstones to another deep playoff run, if the Mets can avoid their usual plague of injuries.

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CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO

G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

Docket No. SJ18PD277GD

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court

In the matter of: Donna L Lane

Of: Roxbury, MA

RESPONDENT

Alleged Incapacitated Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by DMH c/o Office of General Counsel of Westborough, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Donna L Lane is in need of a Guardian and requesting that DMH c/o Office of General Counsel of Westborough, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.

Suffolk Probate and Family Court

24 New Chardon Street, Boston, MA 02114

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 04/19/2018. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.

Date: March 19, 2018

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT

ORDER OF NOTICE

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Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER Chief Justice of this Court on March 19, 2018

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Docket No. SJ17D2404DR

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THE TRIAL COURT

PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Drisiya Batrouss vs. Abdelaziz Kehouache

To the Defendant:

Suffolk Probate and Family Court

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The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for irretrievable breakdown.

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If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.

Date: March 12, 2018

Brian J. Dunn
First Justice of this Court

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

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Docket No. 18E0401

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate & Family Court**

**In re: Ana Candelario Climaco
Suffolk Division**

To all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by
Ana Candelario Climaco

1. Declare that it has jurisdiction in equity over the Petitioner and this matter;
2. Declare that the Petitioner will remain under this Court's jurisdiction until she attains the age of 21 (twenty one); requesting
3. Declare that due to abandonment and neglect by her mother, reunification with her is not a viable option for the Petitioner; and
4. Declare that it is in the best interest of the Petitioner to remain in the United States and not return to El Salvador, the country of her mother's nationality.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on April 12, 2018.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.

Date: March 09, 2018

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CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO

G. L. c. 190B, §5-304

Docket No. SU18P0567GD

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court**

In the matter of: **James Crunk**Of: **Unknown, XX****RESPONDENT****Alleged Incapacitated Person**

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Massachusetts General Hospital of Boston, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **James Crunk** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that **Massachusetts General Hospital of Boston, MA** (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.

Suffolk Probate and Family Court

24 New Chardon Street, Boston, MA 02114

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 04/26/2018. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person, if the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.

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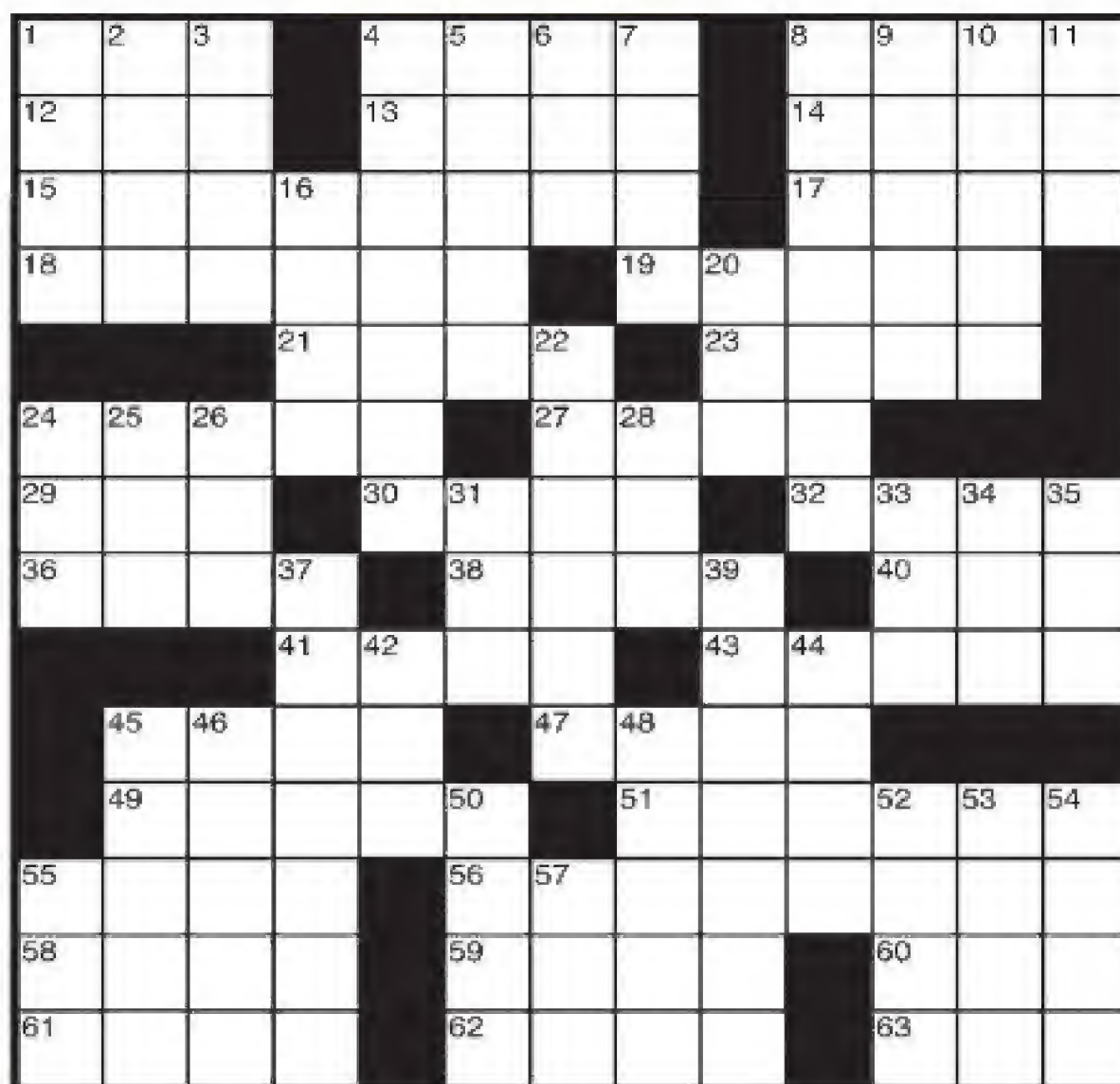
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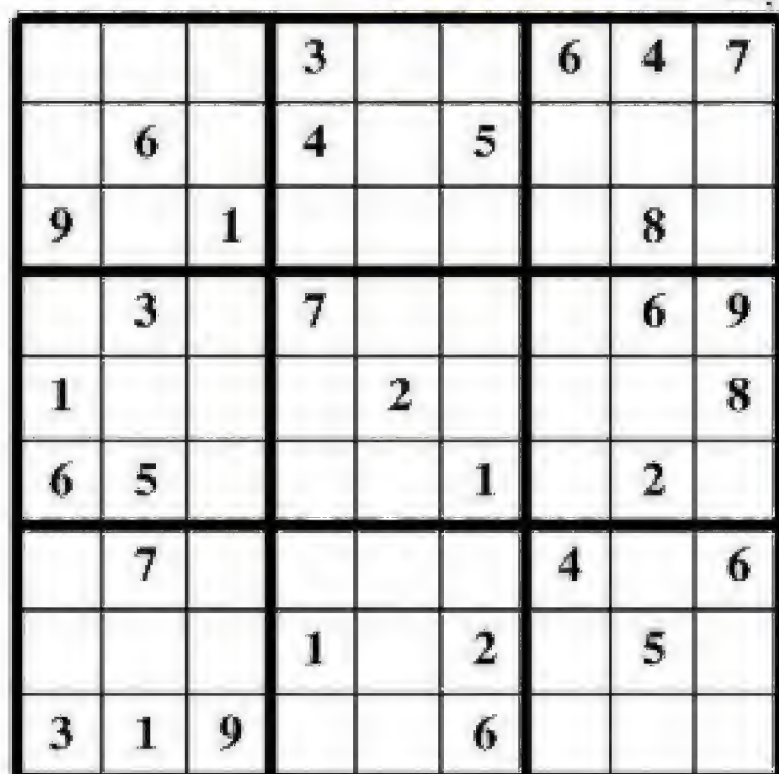
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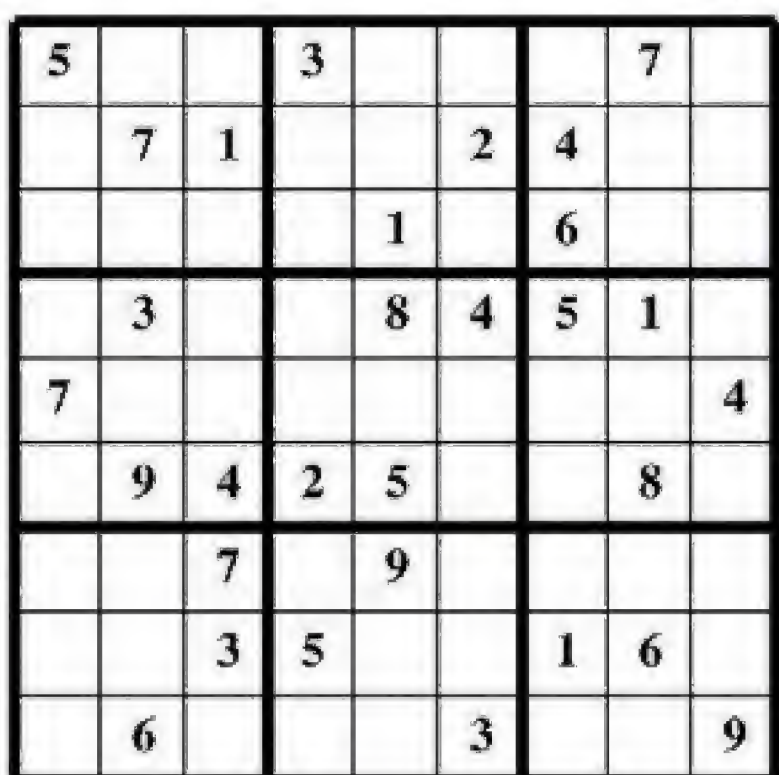


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Taurus You'll have the upper hand, as long as you speak up and take care of your affairs personally. Energy will be running high, allowing you to take care of unfinished business.



Gemini Go over your bills and financial statements before you donate money to a cause. Temptation will be intense when it comes to personal items that you can live without.



Cancer Do your best to stabilize your position. Whether you are dealing with a colleague or someone you live with, aim to keep the peace.



Leo Know what something costs before agreeing to move forward. Overspending on items for your home will leave you in a quandary. Put a cap on your spending.



Virgo Get pumped up and participate. Engaging in something that challenges you physically will lead to a wakeup call regarding your health.



Libra Problems at home will affect your productivity at work and domestic relationships. Listen carefully, but don't let anyone control or manipulate you.



Scorpio An investment you've been hanging on to will give you a financial boost. Take advantage of a good deal and make a move that will improve your life.



Sagittarius Put more effort into improving your love life or building a strong family unit to improve your long-term personal prospects.



Capricorn Tie up loose ends before moving on to downtime. If you leave something undone, someone will bring it to your attention and it will turn into a big deal.



Aquarius Emotional matters can escalate fast when someone you love is involved. Looking out for someone will be appreciated, but don't take charge.



Pisces Explore new possibilities, but don't jump in without testing what's being offered. Altering your lifestyle will have setbacks if you aren't fully prepared to change. **EUGENIA LAST**

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